Bemidji Youth Hockey Regular Meeting September 22, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. Lueken's Village North

Board Members Present: Tracy Pogue, Jill Andersen, Jana Norgaard, Denise Merschman, Clint Bruestle, Mike Gregg, Kevin Waldhausen

Age Group Reps Present: Jill Holm, Kami Kelm, Kris Christopher, Nick Berg, Lisa McNamara

Age Group Reps Absent: Gina Olson and Kris Hammitt

Visitors: Cassie Maish

President called meeting to order at 6:00pm

A. Administrative & Financial Matters

- **1.** Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:
 - a. Second Reading for Policy & Procedure change- Tryouts are to be changed from 6 days to 5 days for Bantams, PeeWee, 14U and 12U teams. Coaches to provide times each year.
 - b. Motion made by Denise to accept the above Policy & Procedure change, 2nd by Jill. Motion carried/passed.
 - c. Second Reading for Policy & Procedure change- A \$50 charge to be assessed to any player who is registered with BYHA and tryout for High School team, then makes High School team requiring a refund from BYHA.
 - d. Motion made by Clint to approve the above reading into Policy & Procedure, 2nd by Jana. Motion carried/passed.
 - e. Motion made by Jill to accept August Minutes, 2nd by Clint. Motion carried/passed.

Received a letter back from IRS letting us know we have been denied our request and need to pay the fees. Hugh Welle is calling the contact person on the letter for clarification on the matter.

2. President's Report

- a. Please keep in mind for the future, that if you will not be around for next year, you need to try and recruit for your position for next year and have them shadow you. This would help with transitioning and to keep things running a little more smoothly.
- b. Background checks for Board members, Age Group Reps and any employee at the rink need to be done by October 1, 2010. Please get in touch with Pam Isaacson for needed information.
- c. Need to keep recruiting for players to sign up for the October Hockey. Currently have 93 registered for October Hockey, approx. 30 are Mites (Free) and 60 paid players, BYHA goal was for 100 paid players.

- d. The \$60 fee covers all the events occurring during the October Hockey: 3x3, Skills Night, Goalie Night and Open Hockey. Limited ice times are expected at the City Rink due to the John Glas being closed this year.
- e. First week of October Hockey there will be a table set up in the lobby with a check off sheet to make sure that players are registered for both BYHA and October Hockey before they can enter into the locker rooms. A sticker will be given to paid players to put onto their helmets for proof of registration. If you are not registered with BYHA and October Hockey, you are not allowed to show up and participate in the scheduled Open Hockey.
- f. BYHA has 133 registered skaters for 2010-2011 season. BYHA goal is 270 so we are about half-way there.
- g. Motion made by Tracy to move \$10,000 from the Deerwood Bank Checking Account into the Pledge/Construction Account, to keep from depleting our emergency fund. 2nd by Mike, Motion carried/passed.
- h. KAWC was sent a check for \$9190 from BYHA for the Raffle Ticket Sales. After further review the taxes applied to the money was higher, initial thought was 10% but were actually 24.8% so BYHA over paid and will be getting a check back from KAWC for \$2475.93.

3. Treasurer Report

- a. Report distributed out to members for review, along with checks that have been written out. Reports reviewed and discussed.
- *b*. Motion made by Kevin to accept the Treasurer Report as presented, 2nd by Mike. Motion carried/passed.

4. Concessions Report

a. Theresa has set up 4 days to offer Concession Stand Boot Camp to parents. The days will occur during 3x3 and Skills Night. Dates will be posted onto website and a flyer posted on the doors at the BCA. Encourage all new parents to attend and is even good as a refresher for returning parents.

5. Registration

a. Currently have 133 players Registered for 2010-2011 season.

6. Scheduling

- a. Dave White is continuing to work on and finalize team schedules for the year.
- b. Dave did get the entire month of October done and posted for October Hockey.
- c. Dave's goal is to have the next months ice schedule done by the 15th of the previous month, so by October 15th he would like to have the month of November done and ready.
- d. Last Monday on the 13th had District 16 Schedule Meeting, it went well and many of the games are scheduled.

- 7. Grievances- None
- **8.** *Policy & Procedure* Continues to be work in progress

B. Hockey Matters

- **1.** EMT's Nothing new
- 2. Referee's
 - a. District 16 is encouraging everyone to try and have 3 referee's for Bantam games. District 16 understands that referee's are in short supply and having 2 referee's is acceptable for any District 16 game.

3. Equipment

- a. Jerseys have been received from manufacturer and are now at Skeeter Stitch getting printed.
- b. Waiting for Mite numbers to order jerseys for the year
- c. Will pick up pucks to have on hand for October Hockey.

4. *HDC*

- a. Have enough coaches for each age level, just waiting for tryouts to place everyone. Are still in need for an Assistant Coach at 10U
- b. Bumper dividers and Nets are in and being set up for use for October Hockey.
- c. Lots of discussing going on at meetings regarding girls hockey and on the 4 PeeWee teams. Finding it a struggle with scheduling since other teams in the surrounding area only have 2 teams. Work in progress.
- d. Minnesota New Rule: All 15 Minute games and ALL GIRL GAMES will have 1:30 minute penalties instead of the previous 2:00 minute penalties.
- e. Minnesota Hockey State is meeting to discuss possible change for locker room supervision. Also, a coach can not be one-on-one with any player at in time, need to have another adult with a background check on file of the same gender as the player.

5. Tournaments

- a. Tournaments are filling up and are going well. Having it on-line has really helped.
- b. Bantam A and B tournaments are full
- c. 14U and 10U are full
- d. PeeWee B is full; need 2 more teams for the PeeWee B2.

C. Marketing

- 1. Banquet
 - a. Kevin needs to step down due to some other obligations, needing someone who knows how to run a banquet.

2. Fundraising

a. Calendar- Is at Arrow Printing get printed as we speak, goal is to have calendar's by the end of this month and have ready for Age Group Reps to hand out during October Hockey.

b. Misc.- Pancake Breakfast Feed for October 16th. Information went out to BSU alumni letting them know about the Feed. Kris C., Kevin W., Joe B. and Theresa P. need to sit down together and discuss what is still needed for this and order what will be needed, to be ready. Time is from 7:30am until about Noon with it being Free Will Donation and is open to everyone.

3. *DIBS*

- a. Sunday the 26th really need help for getting the rink cleaned and ready for October Hockey. Have only 4 people signed up at this time.
- b. List passed around of dates that are coming up that need volunteer/DIB help. Age group reps please let your families know.

4. Mite Recruiter

- a. Flyers have been handed out in the Elementary Schools. School Craft has not yet received flyers, needing someone who has contact with the school; Kris C. will get flyers to School Craft.
- b. Need to make sure we have a couple of coaches available and there at rink for the free skate nights.
- **5.** *Pictures* Sandy Pogue has started getting ready and talking with Image
- **6.** *Website* Up and Running
- 7. Marketing Committee
 - a. Had some deals made and closed. Kevin W. closed out Subway and Kris C. closed out Best Western and Holiday Inn Express. One was a 3 year package deal and two were the 5 year packages.
 - b. Still could use help in getting business signed on with BYHA package deals. If anyone knows any business that might be willing to purchase a package please contact anyone on the Marketing Committee.
 - c. Once we get all our signs up and sold, BYHA packages will be the biggest revenue source BYHA receives.
 - d. New BYHA Member cards will be given to Age Group Reps to hand out to their families.

D. BCA

- a. BYHA was able to obtain 3 Dehumidifier units from BSU for the BCA.
- b. Also have the ability to hook up a feature to our compressors that would in return heat the bleachers. Bids are currently out for this feature.
- c. Need better Communication/Collaboration between BCA and BYHA. Jerry was not aware of the Mite Nite on the 21st so doors were all locked.
- **E. Adjournment** Motion made by Mike to adjourn meeting, 2nd by Jill. Motion carried/passed.

Meeting called to a close at 8:15 p.m.

F. Next Board Meeting October 20th, 2010 at Lueken's Village North